Shortage of Potable water in Kailashpuri and Indira Park Colonies

3881. SHRI SUNDER SINGH BHANDARI:
SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether resident of Kailashpuri and Indira Park colonies in Palam area are facing an acute shortage of potable water;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Ganga water has been made available upto chhoti pulia (small bridge) in Indira Park, but the water line has not been extended further to the areas of Kailashpuri and Indira Park colonies, if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what measures Government have taken/proposed to take to solve this problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) No, Sir. In Kailashpuri and Indira Park colonies water is being supplied through tubewells.

(b) and (c) To improve the supply of filtered water to these areas, a pipe line has already been laid upto Sagarpur (Small bridge). Delhi Water Supply & Sewerage Undertaking has informed that work order for further extension of this pipe line has also been issued and the work is likely to be completed by the end of October, 1996.

Insurance Claim on Transit Losses of Crude Oil

3882. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of transit losses, onshore and off-shoure in respect of imported and domestic crude oil, during the last three years;

(b) whether transit losses are covered by insurance;

(c) if so, the insurance claims made during the last three years on imported and indigenous crude oil, separately; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BALLU): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table on the House.

Planning Commission's Recommendation to cut Defficit

3883. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem appearing in the Economic Times of the 7th June, 1996 under the caption "cut deficit slow and steady", says plan Panel;

(b) if so, what are the recommendations of the Planning Commission in this regard; and

(c) what action is proposed to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI YOGINDER ALAGH): (a) Yes, Sir,

(b) and (c) The fiscal deficit has come down from 8.3% of Gross Domestic Product in 1990-91 to 5.9% in the revised estimates of 1995-96. The Common Minimum Programme of the United Front Government has indicated the need to bring it down to below 4% of GDP.

Cancellation of Allotments under Quotas

3884. DR. RANBIR SINGH
SHRI RAM NATH KOVIND:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1909 given in the Rajya Sabha on the Ist August, 1996 and State: